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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Submitted herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement as required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. For each foreign patent document that does not contain at least a partial translation, a brief statement of relevance follows:

Austrian-German Patent No. 76186 – This patent appears to describe a light sensor-based safety system for a band saw, as illustrated in the figures.

Swiss Patent No. 297525 – This patent appears to describe a press with a light curtain to detect misplacement of hands, as illustrated in the figures.

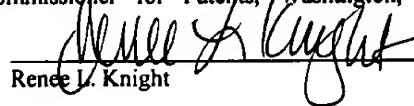
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